

REMARKS

The Office Action of February 14, 2007, has been carefully considered.

It was noted in the Office Action that the listing of references in the specification was not a proper Information Disclosure Statement. A proper Information Disclosure Statement including the references cited in the specification as well as other references cited in foreign prosecutions of this application, will be submitted in due course.

The use of the trademark VELCRO® has been noted in the specification. The specification has been amended to properly denote VELCRO® as a trademark and the use of VELCRO® in the claims has been deleted.

The claims have been rejected under 35 USC 112 as failing to conform with U.S. practice. The claims have now been canceled and replaced by a new set of Claims 5 through 8 which have been written in proper form for US practice.

Claims 1 and 2 have been rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as anticipated by Goldstein and Claims 3 and 4 rejected under 35 USC 103(a) over Goldstein in view of Robinson.

Claim 5 is directed to a sleeping bag for children comprising a bottom part and at least first and second supplementary parts. The first supplementary part comprises a bottom portion, a collar portion and a head opening portion and which detachably connects to the bottom part in such a way that a closed bag is formed together with the bottom part and an end of the bottom part opposite to a head receiving portion, defined by the head opening portion and the upper end wall or collar of the bottom part.

The means for detachably connecting the first supplementary part comprises a zipper means extending from a first end at the head opening portion to a second end at the head opening peripherally, peripherally around the bottom

portion. Corresponding zipper means extend peripherally around the opposite end of the bottom part.

A second supplementary part also detachably connects to the bottom part and is interchangeable with the first supplementary part. The second supplementary part comprises a head opening portion, a tongue part extending from the head opening portion and a bag-shaped main part extending from the tongue part. Zipper means detachably connect the second supplementary part to the bottom part, corresponding to the peripheral zipper means of the bottom part and which extends peripherally around the sides of the tongue part and the main part.

Interchanging the second supplementary part for the first supplementary part increases bag length opposite to the head receiving portion.

The Goldstein patent discloses a sleeping bag for children including first and second supplementary parts. The first supplementary part shown in Figure 3 is a hood member, and the second supplementary part shown in Figure 4 is a panel member. The hood member includes a zipper in a transverse direction, while the panel member includes a zipper which is peripheral, extending from one end to the other of a transverse member.

The first and second supplementary parts of Goldstein are clearly not interchangeable. Moreover, while the hood member does extend the length of the bag, neither member extends the length of the bag at an end opposite to the head receiving portion.

Thus, the invention as claimed is clearly not anticipated by the Goldstein reference.

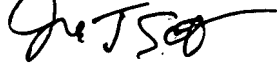
The Robinson reference has been cited to show a sleeping bag with external pockets comprising hook and loop fasteners. However, Robinson does not in any way cure the defects of the

Goldstein reference.

Withdrawal of these rejections is requested.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant submits that the present application is now in condition for allowance. An early allowance of the application with amended claims is earnestly solicited.

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